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Dear Dan:

In my last letter to you, around the end of June, welcoming you as a participant in the Institute's conference on "U. S. Strategy in Asia." I said I would be in touch with you in August with details about the conference.

I am enclosing a list of participants and a tentative outline of the agenda of the conference. The conference will consist of five sessions:

Thursday, September 24

10:00 - 12:30

2:30 - 5:00

8:00 - 10:00 (dinner meeting hosted by the Institute,
for active participants)

Friday, September 25

10:00 - 12:30

2:30 - 5:00

The morning and afternoon sessions will be held at the Institute.

I would very much appreciate it if you would review the agenda, particularly to note the place where your paper or remarks are scheduled, and write me to confirm that this time will be convenient for you to attend.

When you write, could you also include:

The title of your paper or remarks, and the captions of a few of the major subtopics;
Biographical information, from which we can prepare a brief sketch.

My understanding is that you will act as a discussant on the subject of Lessons of Vietnam. I would appreciate your confirming or correcting this understanding. (Also, I have you down for some discussion on Nuclear Scenarios and Precedents.)

*Don - I am
guessing a bit
here, and
would welcome
any correction -
or discussion. -
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Mr. Daniel Ellsberg

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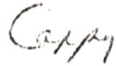
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Also, would you suggest the names of any persons you think we ought to invite to participate in the general discussion, or simply to observe?

I look forward to hearing from you with the confirmations and information requested.

Again, I want to tell you how much I appreciate your participation, which will contribute greatly to the importance of this conference.

Cordially,



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